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Re Application of:

TAKASHI IMOTO

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REQUEST FOR REFUND

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, Applicant requests a refund of \$100.00, the reason for which is explained below.

The above-identified application is the U.S. National Stage counterpart to International Application No. PCT/JP03/10701. International Application No. PCT/JP03/10701 was the subject of an International Search Report (ISR) dated

December 2, 2003 that was prepared by the Japan Patent Searching Authority (ISA). The ISR was provided to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at the time of filing of the above-referenced patent application as indicated by the enclosed copy of the Transmittal Letter for the above-referenced patent application. In the

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Transmittal Letter, the ISR is indicated as form PCT/ISA/210. In addition, a search fee of \$500.00 was paid at the time of filing of the above-referenced patent application as evidenced by the Transmittal Letter.

Therefore, as the above-referenced patent application is a National Stage counterpart to an International Application that was the subject of an ISR performed by an ISA other than the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and the ISR on the International Application was prepared and provided to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office no later than the time at which the search fee was paid, the appropriate search fee for the above-referenced patent application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(2) is \$400.00 and not \$500.00. Accordingly, Applicant hereby requests a refund in the amount of \$100.00, and authorizes the Commissioner to credit that amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 in order to resolve this matter.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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